

# Valley public schools face private challenge

Barring a dramatic change in attitude of some segments of the population, valley public schools will continue to lose increasing numbers of students to Christian, private and alternative schools.

And the seeming irony is that valley districts have not been caught up in any cataclysmic struggle involving cutbacks, wages, curriculum or growth. The course of public education in the valley, even in the face of economic hardships, has continued to run smoothly... on the surface.

It is the undercurrent of parent dissatisfaction with some aspects of the total public school picture that could ultimately prove as disabling as funding.

This dissatisfaction, while far from epidemic proportions in the valley districts, manifests itself in the form of complaints about what is being taught, how subjects are taught — even WHO is doing the teaching — and standards (or lack of same) for discipline and behavior.

But if valley schools are not feeling the

traumatic seizures of their metropolitan and urban brethren in Oakland, Hayward, San Francisco and San Jose, why is there then the rather sudden proliferation of Christian, private and alternative schools?

Clearly, it is the dissatisfaction with curriculum and discipline that a relatively affluent segment of valley families believe can be surmounted by sending their children to non-public schools.

Enrollment-wise, the Amador (high school) and Pleasanton (elementary) districts have reached a plateau, Murray is dropping, Livermore is rising slowly but steadily and San Ramon continues to experience 400-plus-students-a-year growth.

So the modest impact is actually being felt in the Murray and Pleasanton school districts.

Yet there are seeming contradictions, Pleasanton and San Ramon are both fairly affluent areas yet the former has reached an enrollment plateau while San Ramon spurts ahead, building schools.

The answer, then, dwells in the capacity for residential construction in the two areas.

Murray, located between the two, presents an interesting case.

Two of its schools with the largest enrollments are on the Pleasanton side of High-

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way 580. The other seven in Dublin are either holding or losing enrollment.

Superintendent Donald Williams says the problem is largely one of people not moving into the area.

This is reflected in enrollment figures which peaked in the spring of 1973 at about

5,800 and have been dwindling ever since. The most dramatic drop occurred between September of 1974 and September of 1975 when the total district enrollment went from 5,718 to 5,464. This is explained in part by the closing of Western Electric.

As of Nov. 20, total for the nine schools was 5,438.

For the parent sensitized by the imperfections of a public school, the number and variety of alternatives are imposing.

But it takes money and a faith in the alternative.

St. Michael's in Livermore, with grades first through 8th, is the largest in the valley with 320 enrolled.

Valley Christian Center of Dublin, with Christian Center schools presently using quarters at St. Augustine's in Pleasanton, has 275 youngsters enrolled in grades K-8, plus another 100 in its Small World pre-school, and a child care center. The latter has been in existence 3½ years and the elementary school five years.

Dick Chandler is principal.

Valley Christian takes students from the valley, as opposed to Redwood Christian in Castro Valley which has at least six students from the Highland Oaks area of Pleasanton alone, as well as drawing from other areas in the valley and Hayward, Castro Valley and San Leandro.

Some of the other private or church-affiliated schools include one organized by Calvary Temple, 2200 Arroyo Rd. in Livermore, with 46 students in kindergarten and first grades (known as Arroyo Christian); Seventh Day Adventist School, 2828 Marina Avenue in Livermore; Valley School, 487 South J in Livermore, for nursery, primary and kindergarten children, with a current enrollment of 30; Washburn Montessori School, formerly the Dublin Montessori School and now located on Diablo Road in Danville, for children 2½ years of age through fifth grade; Sierra Private

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### Weather

Fair through Thursday in the valley but cooler and windy. Lows in the 30s to low 40s. Highs in the 50s. Northwesterly winds 15 to 25 mph. High today at Livermore 55.



New building at Arroyo Christian in Livermore will pave way for expansion to K-6 school next fall (See story above masthead)

### Disputes Linscheid claims

## 'Keep South SR in city' SRH pleads

SAN RAMON — Citing virtual isolation from county services if excluded from the proposed town of San Ramon Valley, directors of the San Ramon Homeowners Association yesterday requested south San Ramon be kept in the incorporation effort.

In a five-page letter to the Local Agency Formation Commission, SRHA directors dispute claims by Commissioner Edmund Linscheid that south San Ramon is oriented to the south due to Valley Community Services District ties rather than the proposed city in the north.

The letter also points to difficulty in post-incorporation annexation to the city, a favorable survey by SRHA members of area residents, and similar boundaries of the San Ramon Valley Unified School District in support of initial inclusion.

"The argument advanced at the December LAFCO meeting, that south San Ramon's interests lie southward

rather than northward, is just not correct. We are indeed fortunate to be served by the VCSD, which provides sewer, fire, and recreation services for south San Ramon (and Dublin)."

"However, in terms of most governmental-type services, the direction is clearly northward to the rest of the San Ramon Valley and to Martinez," the letter states in part.

A telephone survey of 137 residents showed 84 favor inclusion of south San Ramon and 43 oppose it, a two-to-one ratio which directors "believe to be the best available current information on this subject."

The need for local control over planning and police issues was listed as a major factor in the desirability of incorporation.

"Without intending to cast aspersions on county government, we believe that the residents of San Ramon... will have a more direct and significant influence on decisions

that affect the San Ramon area through interactions with elected officials of a San Ramon Valley city than with the elected officials of the county government."

The directors said that a close working relationship, such as with the school board and VCSD, "has been, and likely will continue to be, im-

### GARBAGE MAN ONE DAY LATE

Because of the New Year's Day holiday, subscribers to Pleasanton Garbage Service will get that service one day later than usual, for the balance of this week.

Collections normally made on Thursday will be made on Friday; regular Friday collections will be made on Saturday.

The changes are in force just for this holiday period. Collections will be back on the regular schedule next week.

possible to establish with the County board of supervisors."

Inclusion in a valley-wide city would be more effective in dealing with regional associations such as ABAG and BART than through the homeowners association, the letter stated.

Directors debated whether immediate inclusion in the proposed city or annexation after the incorporation election would best insure that a valley-wide city would be accepted by voters.

(In the last incorporation vote, which was defeated by 500 votes, favorable ballots in Danville could not offset the negative votes in both Alamo and south San Ramon. Linscheid therefore argued that incorporation would pass if south San Ramon were omitted, which could later annex itself to the larger body if it so desired.)

SRHA directors point out that Alamo could have been left out of the initial incorpo-

### Council approves waste draft

PLEASANTON — The city council approved a proposed draft of the Alameda County solid waste disposal management study last night.

The vote was unanimous 4-0 with Mayor Ed Kinney absent from the special meeting held at 5 p.m. in the city hall conference room.

City Manager Bill Edgar told council members that he was amazed the county accepted all proposed amendments to the draft proposed by the city council.

Among the amendments was phrase to the effect that quarry areas in the valley's ground water basin are not suitable as disposal sites.



### Happy New Year

Happy New Year's wishes are going out to Valley Memorial Hospital patients like Martha Powers — thanks to Auxiliary volunteers like Lori Metz. The volunteers are taking around a bright "Happy New Year" cart and dispensing something yummy from a big punchbowl.

(Times photo by Peter Griffith)

## Beating the bubbles on New Year's eve

(Forthwith, The Times presents alcohol editor Ron Rodriguez' second annual you-did-it-yourself, preventive maintenance hangover cure. For those who must.)

Moralizing to Americans on the absurdity of getting blind drunk New Year's Eve is like preaching etiquette to Attila the Hun.

Yes, we know we'll defuse the population bomb by 45 or 50 Californians. We know we'll put a lot more in the hospital with that "one last drink before we go." This year it may be someone we know. Or love.

But that's never deterred us. We'll curse ourselves in the morning, wondering who drove that spike between our eyes, and scream at the spouse, "I didn't really do that, did I?"

Since all of the above admonitions and six-bits will get you a ride on the BART — one-way — we'll leave the morality play to others and get down to business.

You say your head hurts, Bunky?

That your stomach stepped out to lunch with a passing camel merchant who left his wares inside your mouth?

Cheer up. You'll survive. Just barely, perhaps, and with the nagging thought that it could have been avoided.

Even short of total abstinence, you could have taken certain preventive measures and avoided that — excuse me — bubbly feeling.

First, to hell with the liquor. It's the mix that'll pet you every time.

Fermentation is the process by which grains (starches) and sugars (dextrose) are converted to alcohol, water and CO<sub>2</sub>. While it's one thing to introduce a given quantity of alcohol into the body, it's quite another to add to that an additional amount of fermentable sugar in the form of mix.

If five ounces of, say, bourbon, will produce a given state of intoxication and the accompanying hangover, additional sugar (theoretically) will increase the level of inebriation and the accompanying hangover.

Unfortunately (?) you don't get drunker, you get sicker. The true masochist, of course, skips the collins, coke and seven and main-lines with Daiquiris and Whiskey Sours and the like.

The extra sugar sloshing around in the stomach while you're dreaming of pink elephants and Robert Redford/Raquel Welch enters the bloodstream as additional booze.

Remember that bloated, belchy feeling? That's CO<sub>2</sub>. The stomach was not meant to be a still.

Water or a simple "on the rocks" are the most natural accompaniments to liquor. Soda, depending on the individual, either will relieve matters or complicate them. Some

find the carbonation soothing, while others curse the treacherous side effects.

Coffee drinks are a no-no. They will give you, without question, the worst morning after neurosis imaginable.

To overindulge in coffee-liquor drinks — but especially Irish Coffee because of the additional sugar — is to wake up in the middle of the night ingloriously hungover and to face the consequences deprived of the one and only sure cure: sleep.

Drinking straight shots won't eliminate the problems of the morrow — should you make it that far. Quite the contrary. Alcohol poisons the body. It completely destroys the body's normal nervous, digestive and glandular functions.

"Out to lunch" is an understatement. If you weren't smart or fortunate enough to be elected the sober driver, pop two aspirins before bed. The Federal Drug Administration notwithstanding, Alka-Seltzer or Bromo-Seltzer are even more effective.

But being human, all too human, some panacea, or post hoc attempt at metamorphosis must be found in the morning. The best laid plans of mice and men and women still will produce a cold sweat, queasiness and that Cartesian mind-body duality.

With the exception of sleep, there is no complete cure,

although everyone seems to have a particular pet. Maybe the psychological benefit of belief is in itself a sufficient remedy.

Take aspirin, of course. Again, preferably a bromide. Hair of the Dog, if you can stomach the thought, is a professional, hard-core cure. A cold beer often helps.

Fernet Branca, an Italian bitters, enjoys favorable repute, but is by far the most ghastly thing you'll ever taste. Drink milk. Lots of milk. Then some more milk. Coats the stomach and sort of eases the body back to working with the mind.

Don't drink coffee. The acid will aggravate the stomach. Orange or any citrus drink is worse. Tomato juice is popular but can't hold a candle to milk.

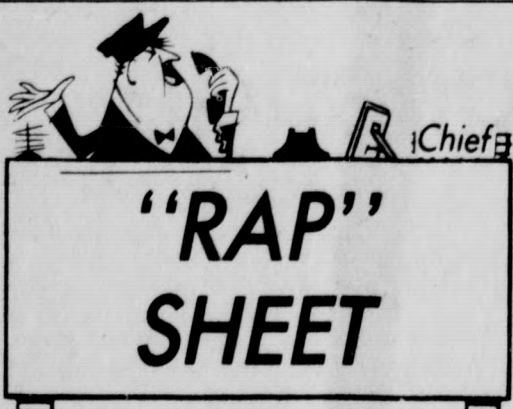
And eat breakfast. Bacon and eggs and hot, buttered toast are fine, even though your mind will reel at the thought of food. Well buttered waffles or pancakes help to absorb the slosh in your stomach. Instant mashed potatoes work well, too.

Of course? you could have elected to drink straight soda water with a lemon twist or a dash of bitters instead of all that Demon Rum.

But then, Attila couldn't handle a knife and fork, either.

— by Ron Rodriguez





**Two Fremont men beaten on Sunol Blvd.**  
PLEASANTON — Two Fremont men, walking into town after their car malfunctioned, were beaten by two men for no apparent reason early Tuesday.

Austin Eugene Lindsey and Lloyd Gene Brewer, both 18, experienced car trouble and were walking towards town on Sunol Boulevard near Rose point for assistance.

A car which had passed the pair twice before stopped and let two passengers out. They followed the Fremont men on foot for a few minutes and suddenly began beating Lindsey, and then Brewer.

The attack stopped briefly as a car passed. Lindsey ran away and the suspects searched for him for approximately five minutes before leaving.

Police could find no reason for the attack, as no valuables were reported taken. Both men received minor cuts and bruises.

Police were provided with descriptions of both men and the driver of the car, and are searching for a car with an out of state license plate.

**23 telephone poles uprooted and stolen**  
PLEASANTON — Twenty-three private telephone poles of various lengths were stolen Monday from a farm on Terra Lane.

A witness saw men using a tractor to dislodge the poles and place them on a flatbed truck about 3 p.m.

Jack Munday, a border patrolman who owns the farm, estimated the poles' value at \$460.

**Youth in good condition after shooting accident**  
PLEASANTON — David Loren Moore, 14, of Rowell Lane was in good condition after accidentally shooting himself in the foot with a pellet gun Monday.

Moore told police he was target shooting in the backyard and thought the safety was locked. No one else was injured in the accident.

**Box of marijuana found at 7-11 store**  
LIVERMORE — A cashier at the 7-11 convenience store on Fourth Street discovered a white box which was found to contain two cigarettes and a small quantity of suspected marijuana.

Police filed a property report on the box and foresee no future action, unless someone comes to claim it.

**Burglars strike while residents vacation**  
LIVERMORE — Approximately \$200 in tools was taken from an Essex Way residence while its owners vacationed in Oregon, police said yesterday.

Vincent Robert Wolfe told police that burglars had apparently entered a side door to his parent's garage and removed a tool chest leaving other items undisturbed.

Police have no leads in the case.

**Outboard motor taken from unlocked garage**  
PLEASANTON — A 9.2-horsepower Mercury outboard motor was taken from an Olive Drive residence Sunday.

The theft apparently occurred as owner Thomas Gwin was home, as he told police he heard noises in his unlocked garage earlier.

Police are looking for two youths thought to be Foothill High School students who attempted to steal the motor once before but were caught.

**Stolen bikes found at suspect's residence**  
LIVERMORE — Detectives attempting to arrest a juvenile for investigation of battery found two bicycle frames in his backyard which proved to be stolen.

Two officers went to the house and heard yelling coming from the backyard. No one was seen, but two apparently new bike frames were found lying in the dirt.

A check of the bike's serial numbers showed both were stolen: one from a neighbor's house, the other from an Olivina residence.

Police found no one home at the house and no arrests were made.

—by Bill Cauble

## City suit involved

# Accident eyewitnesses sought

PLEASANTON — It's like looking for a needle in a haystack, admits Larry Zeller, but the insurance company investigator is looking for two witnesses to an accident in this city.

The accident also involves legal action against the city and PG&E for alleged negligence.

The accident occurred Feb. 11. Zeller's client, Terry Smith, drove a car which allegedly struck 76-year-old Lyle Herlitz near the intersection of Kottlinger Avenue and First Street.

Herlitz's attorney, Fred Cooper, has filed suit against

Smith. He also filed a claim against PG&E and the city because a street lamp at the intersection allegedly was burned out on the night of the accident.

The city council is expected to hear a city attorney's report on the accident claim tonight. City Attorney Ken Scheidig has recommended denial of the claim for \$20,000.

Two unidentified men were at the accident scene, Zeller wants to find them "in the interests of justice," he said. One allegedly came out of the Pleasant Plaza parking lot and the other got out of a vehicle which had been traveling behind Smith's car. The men remained on the scene for about 10 minutes,

long enough to help police direct traffic and witness the ambulance take Herlitz to the hospital. Zeller has no physical description of the men.

"I don't think anyone will know the full impetus of the accident unless people say they saw what happened," said Zeller. He hopes that both men will come forward if they hear of his search for them. He may be reached at 451-6861 or at the D.L. Glaze Co., 508 Second St., Oakland.

# Valley schools face new challenge

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School, located across from Dublin Elementary School in Dublin, in eighth year of operation with current registration of 20 nursery and kindergarten children — capacity of 32 including first grade — Charles Muth is administrator and Carol Muth director; Ark Pre-School and Kindergarten of Livermore, 4161 East Ave.; Pleasanton Academy of Christian Education, founded and organized by the Pleasanton Assembly, 6656 Alisal, opening Jan. 19 with minimum of 20 students grades 2-9.

Arroyo Christian is presently completing

construction on an addition that will allow it to expand to K-6 in September of 1976. Larry Chapman, youth pastor of Calvary Temple, is principal and first grade teacher. The staff is composed of two teachers and a teacher's aide.

Also drawing students from the valley is The Athenian School, situated on Mt. Diablo Scenic Boulevard in Danville. A private school founded in 1964, it presently has 154 students enrolled in grades 9-12.

Fifty of the total are from Alameda and Contra Costa Counties while the remaining 100 or so come primarily from the greater Los Angeles area, the midwest, east as well

as Mexico, Guatemala, Japan and Iran.

Non-sectarian and with a majority of boarding students, Athenian is a college prep school costing \$4,550 a year for boarding students and \$2,450 for day students. Twenty-five to 28 of the total are day students. Fees will increase to \$4,750 and \$2,550, respectively, starting in September of 1976.

Over 90 per cent of Athenian students go on to college. Classes are seminar-style with students and instructor grouped about a table in each class except science labs.

Director of the school is Dyke Brown and Head, First Campus, is David Murray. The

school plans eventually to enlarge to four campuses with 120 students, possibly junior high as well as high school, on each of four campuses.

Athenian is a member of both the California and National Association of Independent Schools.

(In tomorrow's second and final article on the impact of private and Christian schools on valley public schools, we'll look at possibly the most ambitious of the new non-public schools, the Pleasanton Academy of Christian Education, scheduled to open Jan. 19)

—by AL Fischer

## Valley Trails woman goes to White House conference

PLEASANTON — A Valley Trails woman, president of the area's homeowners association, will participate in the White House Regional Conference Consumer Representation Thursday, Jan. 29 at

the Stanford Law School in Palo Alto.

Bev Hamlin is one of a host of homeowners group leaders who have been invited. Proposed consumer representation plans of the Federal Departments and Agencies will be discussed with questions and comments from the public invited.

The conference, to be held in Kresge Auditorium of the Stanford Law School, is being coordinated by William J. Baroody, Jr., assistant to the President for Public Liaison.

Mrs. Hamlin has asked that any resident of the valley with questions or views on consumer representation write to her so she may provide input at the conference. Mrs. Hamlin may be reached by writing to her at 3529 Wind Cave Ct., Pleasanton 94566.

Representing President Ford at the conference will be William L. Seidman, assistant for economic affairs; Virginia Knauer, special assistant for consumer af-

fairs, and six department and agency reps including Dr. Betsy Ancker-Johnson, asst. secretary for science and technology, Dept. of Commerce.

## Ag committee names three from Valley

Three well-known Valley ranchers have been elected to the 1976 Alameda County Committee for Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. Herman Koopmann from the Pleasanton area, John D. Cronin from Dublin area and August M. Hagemann Jr., from Livermore were all returned to posts with that board. Hagemann will be the 1976 chairman and Koopmann will serve as vice chairman.

The board administers USDA programs in Alameda County.



## Artistic taste

The popular cake decorating class again will be on the schedule for the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District's winter brochure. Mary Boehm will teach decorative designs and techniques to her class on Mondays and Thursdays at the Recreation Center, 8th and H streets, January through March. Cost is \$8.50 plus a decorating kit which will be available at the first class for \$7.50. LARPD's winter brochure will be available Jan. 5 with registration for all classes starting Jan. 12 at the Rec Center. Registration will continue through the week at LARPD offices, 71 Trevanno Road, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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## California Hi jazz ensemble sets jam

SAN RAMON — The California High School Jazz Ensemble will present its Second Annual California Jam on Thursday, Jan. 29 at 8 p.m. — Sharing the bill with the Jazz Ensemble will be the San Ramon High School Jazz Ensemble.

A special feature of the night's program will be a performance by Thursday's Child. The group is a large jazz ensemble composed of professional and non-professional musicians from throughout the Bay Area. The group, under the direction of Art Dougherty, is offered through the San Ramon Adult

Education Program. Among those taking part will be Joe Alfano, instrumental music instructor at Cal High.

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## Answer to 'back-to-basics' cry

# Another Christian School opens in the valley

By LILLY AULT

"Parents are desperate for this type of teaching," stated Sanford Weldon, one of the ministers of Assembly of God Church on Alisal Road, Pleasanton. The "type" of teaching Weldon was referring to is the basic fundamentals of the one-room school.

This Christian Family Fellowship Home will be opening a "Christian School" beginning Jan. 19, 1976 with enrollment now being taken. Facilities will be installed on the church property for the first class of second through eighth grades. Kindergarten and first grade hopefully will be added next year.

Weldon invokes a great success in the "back to where we started" type school and hopes to include a high school as well as — in the distant future — a college.

"We will be basing our teachings on individualized instructions and earned incentives rather than a room full of students," said Weldon. It's not that we are knocking the public system, but because of the bureaucracy, a teacher's hands are tied in public schools as to how far he or she may go in teaching a child. Weldon has taught in the public school system.

"They are always offering what is called 'selective subjects' to students even when a child is not capable of handling it or has not learned the basics of reading, writing and arithmetic."

Before a student can be accepted at the Christian School, he will have to know how to read. Kindergarten level will have to know the alphabet and be able to count to 100. A test will be given to each child upon enrollment to determine where the child stands academically.

"All students generally excel in one area over another," commented Weldon. "We want to determine just where the child is." The child will then be placed on the level at which his test results indicate he is capable of learning.

The testing is not limited to the children entering school, but the parents also must take a test. This is not to determine their academic ability, but to assess their feelings and attitudes towards the child and learning. "We want the family to become actively involved with the child's learning," Weldon remarked. "We will be stressing 'family togetherness' in education."

Parents will be expected to assist a child in his education when needed, rather than depending upon the teacher to carry out the entire responsibility," continued Weldon. "This will apply to discipline as well as the learning process. We will expect discipline to be carried out in the home as in the school so there is no confusion for the child as to what is expected of him in regard to respect and discipline."

The school will go back to the old-fashioned respect by enforcing the rule which demands a teacher be addressed as by "Mr. or Mrs." and not by their first name only. Students must agree to strive toward unquestionable character in dress, conduct

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One time public school teacher, S.G. Weldon, minister of education, will head up new Christian School in the valley.



and attitude. Pupils, teachers and staff of the school will all be wearing uniforms.

"Dress code will be emphasized not just to wearing a uniform at school but proper wear at other activities. We will not go overboard," said Weldon, "but enforce just what is taught to us in the Bible." Here Weldon quotes from the Bible, not only on this issue, but on many others which the school will use as the basis of teaching.

"Parents, we have found out," said Weldon, "want both the Christian and education element to go together. Public schools have gotten away from this completely." "Attitude" to Weldon is one of the main elements of the success of a school students, parents and administrators should all be basically in agreement.

Accelerated Christian Education or Pleasanton Academy of Christian Education (PACE) recognizes that it cannot meet the educational needs of all children. It is a school offering a high quality of Christian training, but is not designed to be a correctional institution for problems beyond those usually en-

countered in average school children. The school is not equipped to meet the needs of delinquent and emotionally unstable children. It is also felt that some children do not adjust to a disciplined academic environment.

The school will reserve the right to full discretion in discipline to place students on probation for a reasonable corrective period of time and to dismiss any student who does not cooperate with the total educational process.

Identifying curriculum by levels of complexity rather than chronological age will be stressed by the school. In a study made by the program which PACE will follow, it was indicated that the average

transfer student is reading from one to three years below grade level. PACE will have a degree of built-in correction for this as well as a remedial reading program under development. Students will be trained to set goals in daily achievement and to take the responsibility for their progress. The teacher will measure the child's progress daily on a one-to-one basis.

Teachers at the school will be all college graduates with a "B.S. or born-of-spirit degree," as Weldon puts it. He feels the school will employ some of the best teachers available. "One of the first questions asked is — Will your teachers have credentials?" Weldon explains. "The state sets the standard for accredited teachers. Our teachers will have to meet our standards. We will not have to follow state standards, nor will we be bound to keep a teacher if we feel he or she is not doing a good job in meeting our standards."

The principles of PACE, according to Weldon are not new. It is a modified updated traditional one-room school. It has borrowed the principles of a dedicated Christian teacher, providing individual attention, Christian inspiration and motivation to pupils working at their level of ability rather than their age level. It will emphasize Biblical concepts of individual responsibility and the individuality of each person.

These elements have been combined with a system of disciplinary controls built into classroom procedures such as goal setting and progress records and a continuous-progress, diagnostically prescribed self-instructional Christian curriculum. Through the prescribed curriculum individual responsibility in planning and achieving as well as teacher assistance on a one-to-one basis, education becomes personalized.

Weldon plus another minister from the church attended classes back East to learn the process of setting-up and running a Christian School. Each teacher will also be trained at the school here before being permitted to teach.

A slide presentation on the school will be given by Weldon on Tuesday, Jan. 6 and Thursday, Jan. 8 at 7 p.m. at the church on Alisal Road, Pleasanton. Interested parents and their children are welcome to attend these presentations.

Additional information on the school may be obtained by calling Weldon, minister of education, at 846-8650 or 455-5655.

## Sew pants that really fit you

Erma Hall's Perfect-Fit Pants Seminar, a two-hour lecture demonstration on sewing and fitting pants is being sponsored by Southland Mall, Hayward, in the Southland Community Hall, Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 13 and 14, at 10 a.m. and again at 7 p.m.

Admission is \$3 and reservations can be made by calling 782-5050. This is a totally new approach to making and fitting pants, with the emphasis on quick and easy professional methods. It includes classroom tested answers to many of the pants fit problems that plague those who sew. Many of Ms. Hall's tips and techniques apply to other sewing projects, as well as pants.

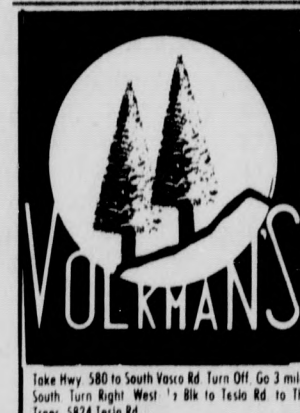
Ms. Hall studied design at Washington University and has spent more than 20 years as a custom-designer, consultant and sewing teacher. She is famous for her expertise in pattern alteration and adjustment.

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## Old friends

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cobb of Fajardo, Puerto Rico, formerly of 7743 Hillrose Dr., Dublin, relax in downtown Charlotte Amalie during a recent visit to St. Thomas of the Virgin Islands. Cobb is chief federal air traffic controller in Fajardo.



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# The Times

## Editorial and Feature Page

John B. Edmands, Editor and Publisher

## Get a look at this next event!

The show starts tomorrow. The advance reviews say "it could be the most exciting production in 200 years." It's rated CE — "Citizen Enlightenment advised," but, like all those other guides, few are expected to take this one seriously.

It's going to be an extravaganza, on anybody's entertainment scale. Balloting for a new president and some key Congressional posts ... new directions on energy ... new rumblings of war in the Third and Fourth Worlds while the big guys in the First and Second Worlds keep their fingers on that button.

Californians will face some questions all their own. Nuclear power could be just about abolished as an answer in to the energy crisis, if that June initiative passes. There'll be new attempts also at abolishing the property tax as the basis for school and community support. Some big environmental goals are on a collision course with some very shaky economic standards.

"It could be the year when America finally comes of age," is the way one

writer-historian put it. If "growing up" means "meeting the test," then that writer could be on target.

What's it going to cost to take part in all this? Very little, or maybe a lot, depending on your resources. A valid citizenship ... the right to vote ... owning property of one kind or another ... having some idea of what it's all about, in the town, the state, the nation. Surprisingly, upwards of one-fourth of the people will fail to meet one or more of those requirements.

Will the show be worth the effort? Only if you believe that 200 years of struggle, of suffering and winning and setting new industrial and human standards for the whole world ... only if you believe that, will you want to make the effort to take part, this time around.

One thing for sure, this is one production that is going to get underway, with you or without you.

"1976" is here. They say it could play before an audience of over 200 million. It's hard to imagine how any American would pass this one up.

And incidentally ... Happy Birthday!

## What commerce?

We recall the lament of that business-man-property owner who threatened to serve his membership in the local Chamber of Commerce "because they seem to get their nose into everything EXCEPT the city's commerce."

We'd like to turn that around and suggest that the city's commerce is the business of every citizen. A "Chamber" supposedly dedicated to that cause should no more be the private domain of the merchant than city hall is the private preserve of the politician.

Why the "development of new retail and industrial activity" within a community should be relegated just to those who are participants in that activity is one of the great American mysteries. The availability of a wide variety of food markets — each competing with price and selection and service — is of greater importance to a local family of seven than it is to a local optometrist.

Whether or not a community boasts a movie theater, and the quality of that theater's offerings, will concern a mother far more than it will impact a batchelor attorney.

The attraction of new industry to a city, with its promised thousands in tax dollars for the muni and school treasuries, is a goal that should inspire every home owner and parent and job seeker

within 20 miles.

And yet it is the optometrist and the batchelor attorney and the architect and the banker who are the backbone of the "chamber of commerce." The voice of the home-owning taxpayer and the concerned housewife are rarely heard in these deliberations. That is a mistake.

Livermore is about to spend something in excess of \$30,000 a year (of the peoples' tax dollars) in order to retain one professional with the assignment to "go find us some industry."

Pleasanton has been struggling with that Regional Shopping Center for almost a decade as the source of tax dollars to support new recreational and park and people safety programs.

But the people of Livermore are not part of that industrial promotion. And it is doubtful if Pleasantonites even understand, or care, about the winning of a huge retail center "that will only bring us more traffic problems."

The city's commerce should be made the business of all the people. The Chambers of Commerce that serve a few "business leaders" in Dublin, in Livermore and in Pleasanton should either find a way to reach more people, or else they should step aside and leave the business of developing new commerce to some agency with broader appeal.

## ...in the meantime

Whatever longterm changes the valley's communities might make in the pursuit of new commerce and industry, the fact of the matter is that the job has been the somewhat singular responsibility of those local Chambers of Commerce for lo' these many years.

And so, for that matter, has much of the pageantry, the parades and a lot of other delightful community ventures in which we all share. In suburbia we place a loose interpretation on our "commerce."

We should keep that in mind when the

business sector gathers in annual tribute to the past, with a word of promise for the future. Such gatherings are all set for the upcoming month — a January 7 luncheon in Dublin, a January 16 dinner at Castlewood for the Pleasanton Chamber, and January 17 at Castlewood for the Livermore Chamber's annual fete.

If more of us are going to make "the community's business MY business," then a good way to start might be by checking up on the organizations that have had exclusive claim to that job in the past.

## Hindsight/Foresight

## BART bust or bus

With a little bit of luck and a lot of fast and coordinated action, the valley could be out of the Bay Area Rapid Transit District and into a contract with AC Transit by this time in '76.

The topography between the valley and Hayward does not lend itself to any sort of rail transportation. Never has and never will.

Also, the mood and economy of present times says the public will go by car preferably and by bus reluctantly.

But by no means will valley residents continue to have the tax bite put on them for another 10 or 15 years without screaming for improved public transit seven days of every week.

The latter can only be accomplished in the immediate future by demanding more extensive bus service.

And the gentlemen that make up the BART board of directors, or perhaps I should say the ruling majority of the metropolitan area, are not going to go for that.

Can you picture such S.F.-Oakland directors as Elmer Cooper, Ella Hill Hutch, John Kirkwood and Dr. Harvey Glasser voting to approve additional bus routing for the Livermore-Amador Valley?

If it doesn't connect to San Francisco and Oakland it's nowhere.

And while trying to conjure up pictures, can you visualize BART trains running through Eden Canyon to Dublin, Pleasanton and Livermore by 1990?

Ever?

We have said in these columns before, the very best mode of public transportation for the valley is one that incorporates connecting east-west and north-south bus routes in and between Livermore, the Lawrence Livermore Lab, Pleasanton and Dublin.

Plus peak hour service between the valley and Hayward BART and Walnut Creek BART.

Ideally, the local lines should operate 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. six days a week and the BART connector routes at least five days from the present 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. When BART goes to weekend service the connector buses should move with them.

To make the public transit picture in southeastern Alameda County complete, a line should also connect valley points with Fremont BART.

But, first and foremost, I would propose that the councils of Pleasanton and Livermore and the Valley Community Services District board hold a series of joint meetings to explore contracting with AC Transit, and also to look at the possibility of detaching from the BART district.

The latter may be difficult if not downright impossible.

I'll leave that to trained legal minds.

But topography is the key.

Getting a rail line through Eden Canyon would be one of the most monumental earth-moving and construction jobs in Bay Area history — and would the eventual patronage warrant the astronomical expense ... not to mention the traffic inconvenience caused by construction?

Rail or monorail has time and again proven best suited to a city or metropolitan area. Buses or cars are best for suburban or rural areas.

With that in mind, and being fully aware of this valley's present and future transportation needs, the appropriate councils and committees should sit down and move toward solving the problem in the next 12 months.

— by AL FISCHER

## GOP in trouble

both houses of the Legislature.

But party fortunes have waned of late even before the disclosures of Watergate dealt the Republicans their worst setback nationally since FDR sent them scurrying back in the dark days of the great depression.

They had already lost control of both houses of the Legislature before Edmund G. Brown, the senior, won election in 1958. His victory over the late Senator William F. Knowland resulted in a landslide which swept the Democrats into every major state office excepting that of Secretary of State.

A GOP comeback was signalled when conservatives Max Rafferty and George Murphy won election as Superintendent of Public Instruction and United States Senator followed by Ronald Reagan's 1966 win which returned Republicans to all major offices excepting Attorney General. Two years later the GOP gained control of the Assembly and the Senate.

But that tide quickly reversed starting with Alan Cranston's election to the U.S. Senate and followed by legislative wins restoring Democratic control over both houses and capped by John V. Tunney's defeat of Murphy in 1970 and Edmund G. Brown Jr.'s 1974 victory which restored Democrats to all state offices excepting Attorney General.

Reduced now to 26 Assemblymen and only 15 Senators the Republicans are facing further legislative losses as five of their senate members have announced their retirement.

Clearly the GOP has no place to go but up, or they will have receded to about the same status as they had back in 1858.

— by Earl G. Waters

## Letter to The Times

### Motorcycling pitch

Editor, The Times:

Enjoyed (Mike Zampa's Sports) column of November 28 and I share your respect for a kid who has enough confidence to barge in and start talking, as Ric Lum did. Hope his efforts were good.

We share your disappointment over Bud Brullisour's decision to drop his Trans-AMA event but cannot agree that enthusiasm for motocross is declining in the United States. To the contrary, attendance increased at most events despite the general state of the motorcycle industry.

Most encouraging has been the growth of stadium motocross. The AMA sanctioned

stadium events at Daytona International Speedway, the Houston Astrodome, Texas Stadium and the Los Angeles Coliseum in 1975. Combined attendance for these events was 181,000. With this type of exposure, I think it is only a matter of time before people who have seen only stadium motocross racing will take a look at natural terrain events.

You may be interested to know that the Trans-AMA Series will visit your area again in 1976, with a November 21 event set for Sears Point Raceway.

Bill Amick  
American Motorcycle Assn.  
Westerville, Ohio

I made that discovery while diving in the crystal waters off Mazatlan.

December of 1971 and that part of me that had died was born again, a new and more vigorous life springing from the old.

There is a tiny room where the plumbing leaks, a seven floor walkup in an old hotel on the Avenida de Insurgentes in Puerto Vallarta where I once sat through an endless December night listening to the roosters crow and wondering if dawn would ever come.

There is an old Indian woman who sells hand woven raw wool shawls for a hundred and twenty-five pesos and do not try to bargain with her, my friends. Her will is iron and the price is a fraction of what you would pay here.

Not far away there is a night club called, for some unfathomable reason, The Iguana, where a man can dance under the moon on New Year's eve.

Across the river and almost on the beach there is a hotel called the Oceano with a bar where people can sit and chat and enjoy air that is conditioned by the moist, cool breezes off the bay.

A white plaster town with red tile roofs glued to the rising hills in a palmetto jungle background with royal poinciana and blooming oleander flowing from her hair.

Five miles south of the Oceano, a forty peso taxi ride both ways, there is a little beach at Mismaloya where Ramon and Leno and Pedro Rodriguez take their clients to the Islands called Los Arcos and lead them to the underwater lairs of octopus and sea snakes and giant moray eel.

They swim through a world flowered by blooming coral and tropical fish which are every color of the rainbow and more, pilfering a lobster now and then on their journey through the rocky reefs.

On the beach there is a thatched roofed restaurant with a sand floor and a red haired bartender who speaks no English, nor does he heed it.

Bohemia, Carta Blanca, tequila and bourbon are a universal language.

Broiled lobster is still 40 pesos there, three dollars and sixty cents to you, and the Bohemia, which is the best beer in the world, five pesos.

The prices are higher back in town but if a man knows what he is doing and can keep his wife out of the shops he can finance a vacation, food and room, for about twenty bucks a day for two.

When evening comes about half of Puerto Vallarta, which is still essentially a small town, strolls along the beach front promenade, buying fat mangoes and papayas from sidewalk vendors or little cups of shrimp in hot Mexican sauce.

For ten pesos a man can sit on the balcony at El Serape and sip a Margarita in a glass the size of a three gallon bucket while he waits for his wife to return from the shops if he has been foolish enough to let her wander into them in the first place.

Or he can wander into the little shop up the street and wonder how he could possibly get the magnificent statue of St. Francis, a blocky and bulky chunk of primitive art, into an airplane and home.

There is a mariachi band at Los Margoritos and great fish soup at another restaurant I will not mention because it does not deserve mention for quite another reason and all the while the air carresses a man with perpetual, but not inconsiderate, warmth.

A great place to be reborn, my friends. A great place for memories, some of which I have just told you, some which I will not mention for reasons of my own.

So hasta la vista, amigos. I will not be back to Puerto Vallarta for a while. But I will return, believe me. I will return.

In the meantime it is a great place to think about when a man is saying, "Happy New Year."

A great place to be reborn on a warm, December morning.

## Round the town

Veteran reporters in the Associated Press San Francisco bureau said they could not recall another event of such exciting proportions.

"The phone has been jumping off the hook all morning," said Scoop Errata, AP's news editor for the SF Bureau. "It seems as though every newspaper in the west is screaming for new leads, background stuff and art ... oh, how they want art."

Big airplane crash? Fairmont Hotel burn down? Joe and Angelino call it quits again?

"No, no," AP's Errata explained. "The big story is THE story ... the President's lady friends. Every bureau in the country has uncovered at least one. Des Moines is out front with three, but we have some hot leads in Yakima that could put the western region back out front before nightfall."

The real crunch, Errata explained, was to keep AP ahead of UPI in the race to uncover past presidential lovers. It is on tests such as these that the major news services are rated by the nation's editors, Errata advised me, before reaching over to answer another phone.

"Hello! Hello! Go ahead Anaheim. We've been waiting for your report ... a school teacher you say ... saved all the apples that Richard Nixon ever gave her ... claims he often stayed after class ... and they weren't just discussing math! That's hot stuff, Anaheim. But get us some art. We'll need the lady's picture. What's that? You say the rest home where she's staying won't let you take pictures? Damn. Well, get her granddaughter's picture then. The readers don't care, as long as it's in the family."

By now the teletype machines were racing along with minute-by-minute reports on new presidential revelations. There were also teletyped messages from desperate editors demanding more copy, and art, on the latest lover. I decided to pitch and in and help the beleaguered bureau.

"Hello! You say this is Kansas City reporting in? Go ahead Kansas City ... I see ... his haberdashery partner ... Yes, but I don't really think revelations on Truman's business partner is what the bureau has in mind, Kansas City. After all, two men are hardly the kind of story ... What's that? ... you mean the haberdashery partner was NOT a man? ... Oh, you mean one of those ... well, get us what you can, and for Pete's Sake send art. Everybody wants art."

"Get that New York wire, will you?" the bureau chief advised me. "I'm tied up on a call to Paris ... seems as though like arranged those Normandy landings to keep a long-standing date with the head of the French female underground ..."

The New York wire was insistent. "FOLLO LEAD IMMEDIATE ... REPORT OF FORD'S MEETING WITH UNKNOWN FEMALE ON COLORADO SLOPES ... NEED FULL DETAIL ... AND BE CERTAIN INCLUDE ART ..."

There being no one else in the bureau free at that moment, I decided to place my own call to Vail. The ski lodge manager was a trifle miffed.

"You're the third wire service to call us in the last half hour," he informed me, testily. "Don't you people have anything else to write about other than presidential acquaintances?"

Not when those acquaintances are of the opposite sex, I informed him. Anyway, what's with this new friend of Gerald Ford's, I demanded, adding that there could be a little something in the mail for him if the information was given us exclusive ... and he provided art.

"Well, there was this business of Ford and Sheika ..."

he began.

"No, No," I interrupted, "stories about oil sheiks are not what we're after. Don't you realize that the whole nation is waiting for the next word on a presidential dalliance?"

The lodge manager quickly explained that Sheika was in truth a lady of the opposite sex, a good skier, AND Mrs. Ford's press secretary.

"Now we're getting somewhere," I said, excitedly, "give me more ... and do you have any art?"

The lodge manager said he did indeed have art. Of Sheika and her five kids. Of Sheika and her husband going to church. Of Sheika working with the Red Cross. "Sheika's a very devoted mother and home maker," he explained.

This was NOT the kind of thing story we're after, I informed the lodge manager angrily, and furthermore he could forget about any monetary consideration for that kind of non-news.

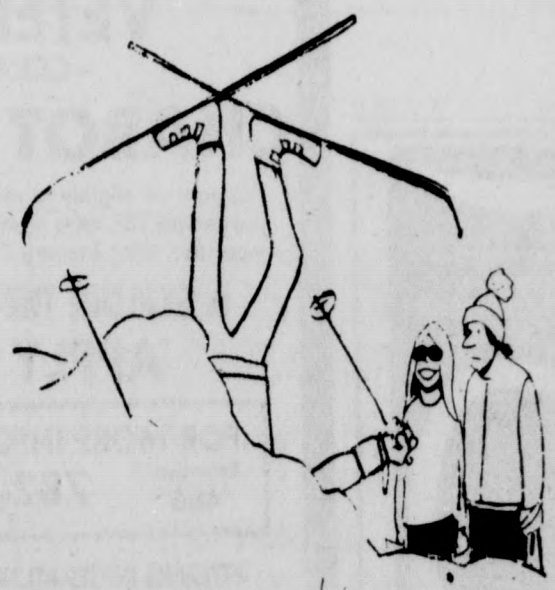
"But wait," he urged. "There's a story going around Vail about President Ford and this Standard Oil executive. Seems as though Ford has borrowed fifty million bucks to finance his campaign ... it could be another Watergate ..."

"Forget it!" I informed the Vail lodge manager. "If there's one thing the American people don't want to read about right now is another Watergate." And I hung up.

That's the worst of dealing with amateurs. They don't understand what constitutes a real news story, the kind editors all over the country are demanding.

— by John Edmands.

## Berry's World



"Now's your chance! Hey, Mr. President, may we have your autograph?"



## Sound and Fury

Walt Hecox

Happy New Year, amigos.

I say happy New Year because this is the last piece of writing you will get from me until the 7th of January.

And I say amigos because I am thinking about Puerto Vallarta at the moment.

Some folks do not like Mexico, and with reason.

They have visited only Ensenada or Tijuana or do not like that country's views on Arabs and Israeli or the boogie at the last Pan American Games.

All good reasons for not liking Mexico.

I, on the other hand, am inclined to remember Senor Roberto Gorostiza and his fine family, the graceful, crescent harbor at Mazatlan with its protective line of islands, the underwater spires which plunge to the bottom of the sea of Cortes beyond the rock which looks like an eagle and the warm sand on the beach in front of the Playa.

But most of all I remember Puerto Vallarta and the very special place it has in my life.

It was on the 8th of March in 1971 that someone died and I died a little with her.

May of 1971 and I discovered I was not entirely dead, that a man can live with loneliness and even enjoy life to some extent.



**Wed., Dec. 31**

FAM

**3:30 P.M.**  
2—Batman  
5—Mod Squad  
7—Movies:

**7:00 P.M.**  
2-40—FBI  
4—Truth of Consequences  
5-7—News

7-13—Wide World Special  
9—News  
36—Movie: "Miraculous Jour

**MIDNIGHT**  
2—News  
40—Movies all Night

"Don't forget, Mommy! If we fall asleep, be sure to wake us up at midnight!"

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**SOUTH**

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Both vulnerable

second heart with the nine of trumps. West overruffed the 10. Dummy asked, "Hearts, partner?" and South found a heart.

He took back his new followed suit, proceeded to ruff high the next time, dropped West's 10 and managed to make the contract.

He gave it back after West threatened to punch him in the nose and North told West to go ahead.

**Ask the Jagoos!**

The Alcatraz coup was given that name back in the early '30s when a particularly slimy expert first tried it. Today's hand illustrates this play at its worst.

South is worried about the 10 of trumps. He is going to have to ruff the third heart. If West started with three spades to the 10 South won't be able to shut it out. If he started with 10 and one South can ruff high and pick it up but if West started with two small and South ruffs high it is going to establish the 10 in the East hand.

Our unsavory character found a way to have his cake and eat it too. He ruffed the

He took back his nine, followed suit, proceeded to ruff high the next time, dropped West's 10 and managed to make the contract. He gave it back after West threatened to punch him in the nose and North told West to go ahead.

## Ask the Jacobys

Today's article was prompted by a Cleveland reader's request about what to do when someone perpetrates an Alcatraz coup.

In duplicate the director should not only adjust the score in favor of the victim, but if he believes that the offense was deliberate, should assess a severe disciplinary penalty. In any major tournament he surely would and the tournament committee would back him up. In rubber bridge games it is up to the other players to see that the offender mends his ways.

(Do you have a question for the experts? Write "Ask the Jacobys" care of this newspaper. The Jacobys will answer individual questions of stamped, self-addressed envelopes are enclosed. The most interesting questions will be used in this column and will receive copies of JACOBY MODERN.)

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...IF IT ARRIVED AT A RESPECTABLE HOUR!

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(12-31)

THE THIRD BOTTLE  
OF MUSCATEL ALREADY!  
BOY!..THIS IS THE  
MOST OBSTINATE  
NEW YEAR I'VE  
EVER TRIED TO  
BRING IN!

12-31  
THURSDAY

## by Gill Fox

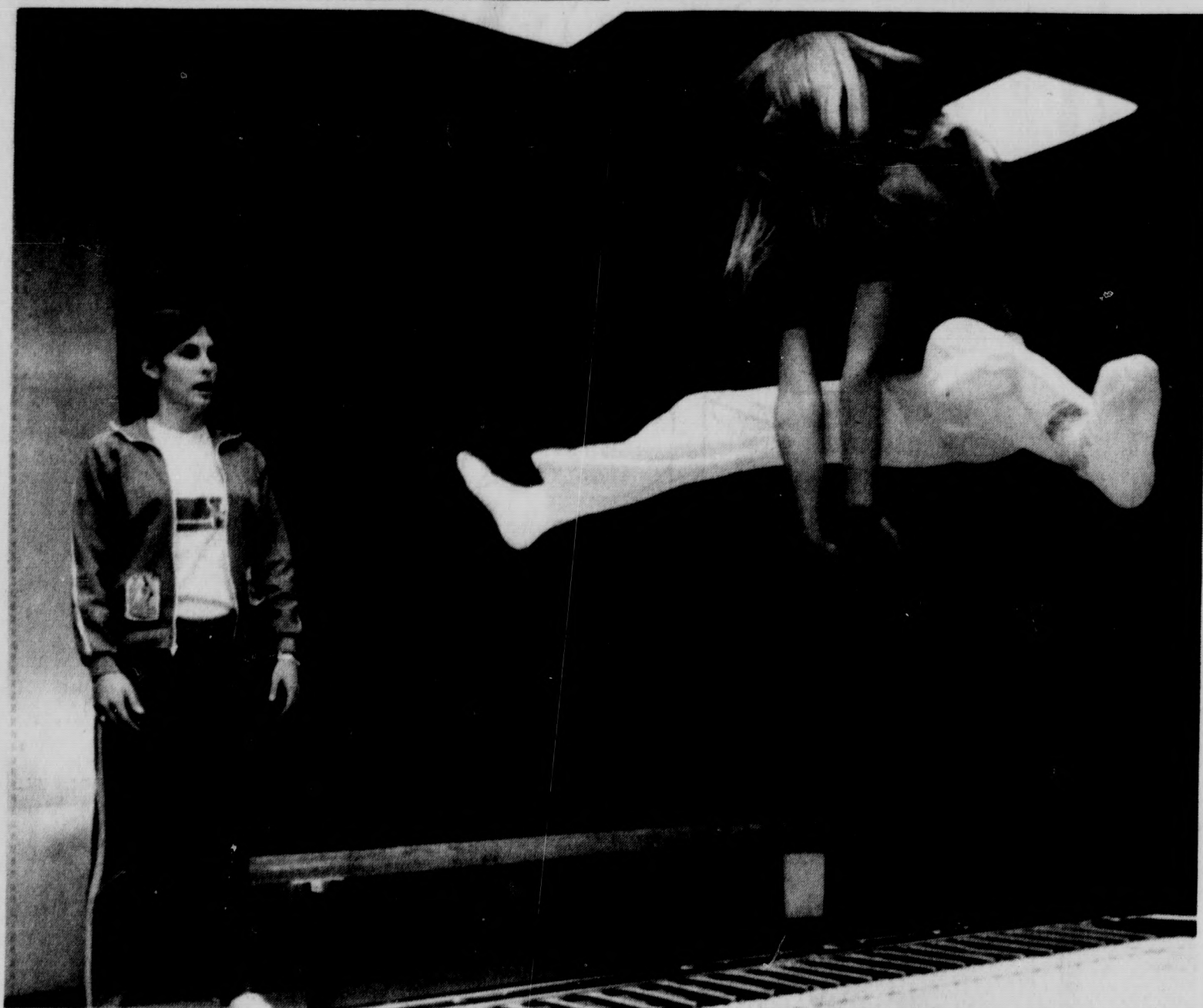
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"Daddy sure was surprised to learn you wanted to go to the moon some day, Argyle! He figured you already came from there!"

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"Charlie's had enough. He's dropping the names of things he's making payments on!"





## Ups and downs

Trampoline sessions to be offered by the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District during the upcoming winter program also will feature mail-in registration. Instructors Jamie Hillyer and Kim Rogers will guide their students, ages four through 12-years-old, through seat drops, hand, knee and front drops, and flips, at the Recreation Center, 8th and H streets, on Tuesdays and Thursday

afternoons January through March. Cost is \$5.50. Parents may fill out a mail-in form which will be included in the LARPD winter brochure to be distributed Jan. 5, enclose the fee and return the application with a self-addressed envelope to LARPD, 71 Trevano Road, by Jan. 12. Regular registration for all classes begins Jan. 12.

## Legislative roundup

# Most impact in fair trade repeal

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Al-most hidden among spectacular new state laws on marijuana and sex is a measure that may affect more Californians' lives immediately than any other — a repeal of fair trade laws.

For families struggling with inflation, the ending of the 44-year-old minimum pricing laws might be the most profitable of the hundreds of new measures that take effect Jan. 1.

A University of California economist, Lawrence Shepard, estimates the end of fair trade will mean another \$50 to \$100 for the average family in the state this year.

And the effects should be felt at once as stores start advertising televisions, stereos or cameras at "post-fair-trade" prices. Many manufacturers and retailers and retailers, howev-

er, jumped the gun and trimmed their prices months ago.

Most national attention, however, will focus on the marijuana and sex laws, two long-sought goals of civil libertarians.

The marijuana law, by Sen. George Moscone, D-San Francisco, now that city's mayor-elect, reduces the maximum penalty for possession of an ounce or less to a \$100 fine without arrest. Other possession cases will become misdemeanors.

The bill by Assemblyman Willie Brown, D-San Francisco, ends century-old prohibitions against a wide range of private sexual activities between consenting adults, including those of the same sex.

The new year also inaugurates such major consumer bills as the "lifeline" utility

measure, which could mean a substantial savings for consumers of small amounts of gas and electricity, and a measure aimed at cutting drug costs by allowing substitution of less expensive drugs for brand names.

However, the state Public Utilities Commission is seeking to delay the lifeline bill because it hasn't figured out where to draw the line for small users.

Other new laws include mandatory prison sentences for crimes with guns and for heroin selling, an end to the state's oil depletion allowance, coverage of farm workers by unemployment insurance, and an election law that could swell the Democrats' registration lead.

The fair trade laws, passed during the Depression, allow manufacturers to set mini-

mum prices for their goods. They were aimed at stopping price wars that drove small retailers out of business.

But the laws are generally judged to have outlived their usefulness — not just by consumer groups, but by manufacturers who have abandoned free trade for all but about 4 per cent of the goods sold in California.

The repeal bills by Assemblyman Alister McAlister, D-San Jose, and Dennis Carpenter, R-Newport Beach, abolish fair trade for all products but alcoholic beverages.

Shepard, a professor of agricultural economy at UC Davis, said the \$50 to \$100 figure is "just a ballpark estimate." But he said studies have shown that the 15 states with fair trade laws have 16 to 19 per cent higher prices than states without such laws.

# 21 Cal High students to serve as official Bicentennial couriers

A total of 21 California high school students will be selected to serve as official Bicentennial Couriers in Europe, South America and the Far East next summer through an essay contest conducted by Youth For Understanding (YFU), an international teenage exchange program.

The Youth For Understanding "Bicentennial Courier" project has been selected as the international youth program by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration in Washington, D.C.

Cathy Rigby, the first American to win a medal in international gymnastic competition, is the National chairman for the Bicentennial

Courier project. Miss Rigby has invited high school students between the ages of 15 and 18 to enter the essay competition which will be conducted in California and in 28 other states during the school year.

The deadline for submitting essays is Feb. 1, 1976. The winners will be announced and then designated official Bicentennial Couriers on April 1, 1976.

Under the program, a total of 184 young people from 29 states will go abroad during the summer of 1976 to live with carefully chosen host families in 25 countries throughout the world. Each Bicentennial Courier will carry Bicentennial greetings and invitations from local and state officials and organizations in the United States for presentation to local, provincial, and national officials in the countries in which the courier will be living for two months.

The couriers will also be encouraged to speak to groups in their host countries about the Bicentennial celebration and about American life in general.

Bicentennial scholarships will be funded by grants from various civic, corporate, and local Bicentennial agencies. The only costs which the students will be responsible for are their passport fees and personal spending money.

During the last week of October, every high school social studies department office will receive a packet of information with details about the essay competition and Bicentennial Courier project. Students are advised to contact their high school's social studies office at that time.

Youth For Understanding is a non-profit educational organization which cooperates with and receives an annual grant from the U.S. State Department. Since its inception in 1951, YFU has made it possible for 50,000 American and foreign high school students to have an overseas living experience. The international headquarters of this organization is in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Information about the Bicentennial Courier project

can be obtained by contacting Dennis Nazelli, Project Director, Youth For Understanding, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST

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# Livermore jvs lose championship

Livermore High School saw its dreams of a championship in its own junior varsity basketball tournament dashed when a powerful Moreau of Hayward squad blasted the Cowboys, 71-35 last night in the losers' gym.

Both teams had advanced to the finals with two impressive wins.

In the day's opening game, Granada out-scored Dublin, 30-6 at the foul line and beat the Gaels, 69-52 for seventh

place.

The Matadors played magnificently for three quarters, nullifying two consecutive losses at the tournament. Dublin slumped to its third consecutive loss, but created a stir in the fourth quarter that shot waves of hope running through the Gael bench.

Forward Steve Waldera was the key to Granada's drive, scoring a game-high 21 points. He sat out nearly the entire third quarter once the

Matadors beefed their lead up to 27 points.

Waldera touched off a 20-5 Granada spurge in the first quarter with his best play of the night. Steve scored seven points in that stretch and hauled down four rebounds. Twice in the opening three minutes he grabbed rebounds on the defensive board, dribbled cross-court on the fast break, and assisted lay-in baskets for teammates. Waldera finished with eight

rebounds.

Teammate Steve Robison was just as vital for Granada, finishing with 15 points. He had six rebounds despite playing at guard, and two of those came on the offensive board in the first quarter. Both grabs were turned into baskets.

After three quarters Granada led by 23 points when Dublin suddenly made its charge. The Gaels unleashed a tireless zone press that

caused 13 turnovers by Granada in the final period. Unfortunately it also resulted in 16 Matador free throws in the last eight minutes.

The Gaels lost three players who fouled out, Jon Batchelor, Dave Seropian and Ed Beerman. The first two were sidelined with five fouls in the third quarter.

The pressing, swooping Gaels sliced Granada's margin to 13 points midway through the last period, but

could draw no closer. Lane Boespflug scored 10 points in the Dublin comeback.

Guard Mike DePorto was the sparkplug, however, befuddling Granada's ball handlers on the press. DePorto stole everything from the Matadors but their jersey numbers.

Batchelor was another hero for Dublin, coming off the bench to snatch six offensive rebounds in a brief appearance. He and Beerman pro-

vided Dublin with its only support in the rebounding war.

Boespflug's 10 points was high for the Gaels. Beerman and Gary Reshes each contributed eight points. DePorto and Batchelor had six apiece.

For Granada, forward Bill Condry played well, scoring 10 points and clogging the middle with his fine defense. Condry blocked three shots in the first half alone.

The Matadors employed a

zone defense for most of the game which forced the Gaels outside. Dublin suffered through another poor shooting night as a consequence. The Gaels also committed 20 turnovers.

**GRANADA** 20 16 13 20—69  
**DUBLIN** 5 4 17 28—52  
**GRA** — Waldera, 6-9-21; Condry, 3-2-10; Fuller, 1-5-7; Heath, 3-2-8; Robison, 4-7-15; Karch, 1-0-2; Lee, 1-0-2; Wood, 1-6-8.  
**DUB** — Batchelor, 3-0-6; Pearson, 1-1-3; Boespflug, 5-0-10; Seropian, 2-0-4; Beerman, 3-2-8; Reshes, 4-0-8; DePorto, 3-0-6; Dunlop, 2-0-4; Russell, 0-1-1; Kulak, 0-1-1; Barnes, 0-1-1.

## Standout at Tracy Wujek prep of week

They're called gym rats, the kids who skulk around basketball courts looking for a fix — just one more game of "hunch" before the janitor sets up the folding chairs for the PTA meeting.

Gym rats miss classes sometimes, because they've found a pigeon for a foul shooting contest or they've been drafted by the math department for a 3-on-3 game.

They seldom miss practice, however, and they wouldn't dare skip a game.

Joe Wujek is a gym rat, the coaches say, a youngster with his own set of keys to the court and a crow-bar in case he loses the keys.

He is the youngest starter for Granada High School, and the reason the Matadors are favored to win the EBAL title this season.

The 6-5 junior sparked Granada to its fifth and sixth victories in succession last weekend at the Tracy Basketball Tournament and has been honored as Alameda County's Prep of the Week.

The Matadors finally lost one on Monday, stumbling before host Tracy High, 71-58. Wujek the gym rat still scored 14

points. If they named an all-tournament team after Granada's third place game with Merced last night, Wujek must have been a prime candidate.

In the opening game Friday Joe scored 24 points and pulled down 16 rebounds in a 62-57 defeat of Lincoln High. Saturday Wujek gunned in 26, had 11 rebounds, and cinched a 65-62 win over Stagg with a pair of free throws in the last 17 seconds.

For Wujek and the Matadors it was the finest weekend of basketball this season.

It was followed by one of the few off nights, however on Monday.

Tracy led Granada by just two points at halftime, but pulled out to a 10-point margin after three quarters. The Matadors could never draw closer.

Forward Scott Campbell pumped in 23 points to pace Granada. Tom Tanasovich added eight points and Mike Francis scored seven before fouling out.

Wujek, voted the Prep honor by the East Bay Prep Writers Association, will receive the Flecto Sports Award from the sponsoring Flecto Co. of Oakland.



LOCAL NETTER PLAYS AT TENNIS TOWN  
Ben Johanson of Dublin competed yesterday.

## Local netter stars

Bob Belierose and David Reynoldson swept through the Tennis Town Junior Tournament with perfect records yesterday in Pleasanton.

Reynoldson of Pleasanton captured the boys 12's championship with a 4-0 set record in the round-robin tournament. He finished in front of Randy Ditzler who closed out the two-day tournament at 3-1.

In the boys 16's, Belierose posted a 9-0 record for the title. Jon Winslow finished at 8-1, and John Stevens at 7-2.

More than 30 youngsters competed in the first-ever tournament staged at Pleasanton's new private indoor tennis complex. In the girls competition played yesterday, Stephanie Schall finished in first place, followed by Diane Camron.

Nelson Moreno of Hayward captured the boys' 18 title. Second place went to Bob Cannon of Pleasanton.

### Tennis Town Results

Boys 12's — David Reynoldson, 4-0; Randy Ditzler, 3-1; Mike Chirchold, 2-2; Adrian Olson, 1-3; Steve Carter, 0-4.  
Boys 16's — Bob Belierose, 9-0; Jon Winslow, 8-1; John Stevens, 7-2; Paul Yanez, 6-3; Darin Platt, 5-4; Dwane Crause, 4-5; Brian Lyttle, 2-7; Ben Johanson, 2-7; Jon Cramer, 1-8; Brian Lutze, 1-8.

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## Cal topped

California High School fell to Newark High, 57-45 last night in a non-league basketball game in San Ramon.

Bill Herrera, California coach, said, "Late in the game we weren't running our offense like we should. They started to press more defensively."

Ballistic United's Gary Daniels scored two goals in the championship game as the Pleasanton club defeated Dublin United, 3-1, to capture the under-10 division at the Fresno Invitational Soccer Tournament.

The title match was played at Fresno State University.

Kevin Mayn scored the other goal for Ballistic, which enjoyed outstanding defense the entire tournament. United allowed just two goals in four matches.

Clark Morris was the key defender in United's championship win. Gregg Strommer, David Morris, Paul

Shuey, Nicky Pearson and Scott Stanko were all instrumental in the triumph.

Daniels' goal in the opening contest gave United a 1-0 win over Fremont Ajax. Brian Warman dominated midfield for the winners.

Mayn exploded for four goals in game two, as United thumped Fresno Lane Apaches, 7-0. Daniels scored twice. Steve Maciorski had a goal.

In the semi-final, Ballistic crushed the St. Anthony Bards of Fresno, 9-1. David Irish scored three times. Mayn and Tony Luppino had two goals apiece, and Shuey scored once.

Brandon Baxter and David Humphrey were outstanding on defense.

In other tournament action, Ballistic United under-12 won its first two games, but lost in the semi-finals to the Livermore Patriots, 4-2. Scott Strommer had the team's only goal in regulation time. Ballistic out-shot Livermore,

23-6.

Ballistic won its first tournament game, defeating the Malloch Mustangs of Fresno, 3-0. Mike Deleray, David Woodward and Andy Eelsung scored. Jimmy Kruger, Donny Jones, and Edward Kinyon anchored the defense.

Deleray struck for a pair of goals in the second round as Ballistic edged the Kentfield Celtics, 2-1. Frankie Duarte assisted twice. Jimmy Bennett, Mark Andrews, Jamie Herwatt and Karl Kesterke all played key roles in the victory.

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## Pats take second

The Livermore Patriots captured second place at the Fresno Holiday Invitational Soccer Tournament last weekend, falling to the Dublin Paddys, 4-1 in the championship contest.

Chris Sansone scored Livermore's only goal in the title match, on an assist by Steve Collins. Dennis Black and Kyle Dixon were exceptional on defense.

The Patriots opened the tournament with a 3-0 rout of the Fresno Cherokees. Sansone scored one goal as did Collins and Larry Freie. Steve Garcia and Derek Mendonca dominated the midfield

for Livermore.

In the second tournament game Livermore blasted the Walnut Creek Super Scoops, 6-0. Goals went to Collins, Sansone, Garcia, Mendonca, Todd Howe and Frank Bamford. Charles D'Ambra and Jeff Gancas patrolled the backfield for the Pats.

Goalkeeper Greg Brown provided six saves in game

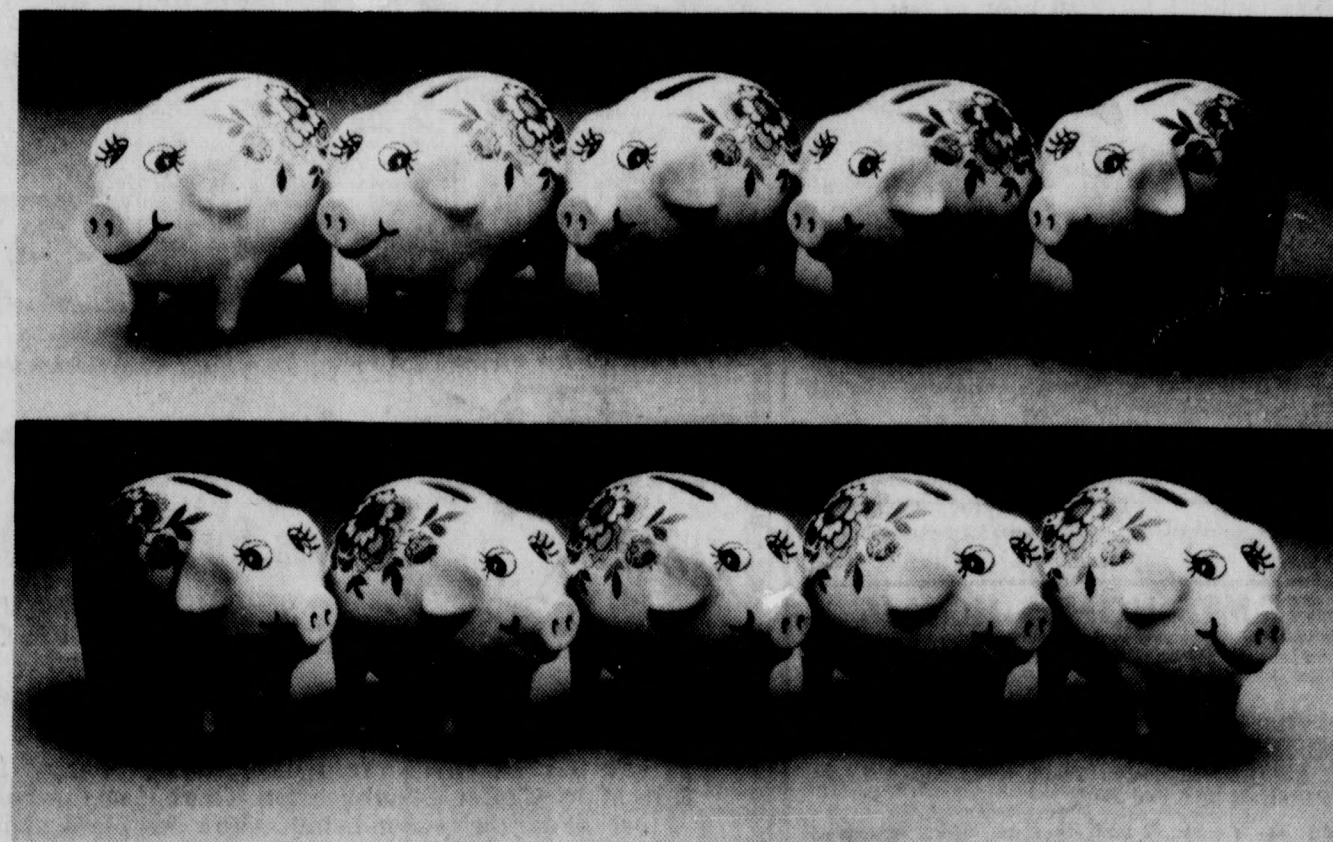
Paul Horning of the Green Bay Packers holds the record for the most points scored in one football season — 176.

three as Livermore topped Ballistic United, 4-2 on penalty kicks. The game ended 1-1 after regulation play.

Todd Howe scored the regular goal on Eric Johnston's assist. In the sudden death kickoff, D'Ambra, Mendonca, Garcia and Dennis Black scored.

Black took over the goal keeping chores during the kickoff, and blocked two penalty shots.

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## Mats 7th

Granada High School is ranked seventh in the latest East Bay Prep Writers Association poll.

Granada, 6-1 going into last night's third place game at the Tracy Basketball Tournament, received 57 points. Castlemont of Oakland remained first and College Park was second. Oakland Tech is rated third.

East Bay Cage Poll  
With team followed by first place votes in parentheses, record, points

and rank last week			
1. Castlemont (6)	11,090/	1	
2. College Park	9,0	81	2
3. Oakland Tech	7,2	79	3
4. Ite. St. Josephs		12,365/	6
5. Berkeley	9,4	65	4
6. Fremont	7,3	62	5
7. Granada	6,0	57	7
8. Clayton Vly	9,1	50	8
9. Oakland	8,3	42	9
10. St. Mary's	9,4	32	12
11. Tennyson	7,2	27	13
12. El Cerrito	6,5	21	10
13. McClintock	7,4	20	11
14. Livermore	5,1	11	115
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CLASSES BEGIN:  
January 5, 1976

**Holiday Bike Give-Away!**  
**FREE 3-Speed Bike**  
WINNING TICKET WILL BE DRAWN  
4 P.M., SUNDAY, JAN. 4  
VALLEY RESIDENTS AGE 8 to 18 ONLY ARE ELIGIBLE.  
PICK-UP YOUR DRAWING TICKET WHEN YOU PAY FOR YOUR ROUND OF MINIATURE GOLF.  
Hrs: Tues - Sun., noon 'til 10 PM  
Closed Mondays; closed Christmas Day  
**PLEASANTON MINIATURE GOLF**  
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